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JOINT EMBASSY/ USAID MESSAGE

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1. FOLLOWING IS THE UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF LETTER FROM
PRIMIN TO JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TANI ON FEB 28 REQUESTING
AN INCREASE IN THE JAPANESE CONTRIBUTION TO FEOF.
QUOTE EXCELLENCY,

BY LETTER NO. 91/ DGF/ CO, DATED 28 DECEMBER 1972, HIS
EXCELLENCY THE MINISTER OF FINANCE REQUESTED IN THE NAME OF
THEY ROYAL GOVERNMENT A MORE SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTION BY
JAPAN TO THE MONETARY STABILIZATION PROGRAM OF LAOS IN
CALENDAR YEAR 1973. MY GOVERNMENT HAS LEARNED WITH GREAT
SATISFACTION THAT A CREDIT OF 3 MILLION US DOLLARS HAS BEEN
ENTERED UNDER THE TITLE OF PARTICIPATION BY JAPAN IN THE
FOREIGN EXCHANGE OPERATIONS FUND FOR LAOS IN 1973, IN YOUR
BUDGET WHICH IS NOW IN THE PROCESS OF BEING APPROVED BY THE
DIET. THIS ENTRY SIGNIFIES AN INCREASE OF 0.4 MILLION US
DOLLARS BY COMPARISON TO YOUR CONTRIBTUION FOR 1972.

NONETHELESS, TO ALLOW US TO SATISFY OUR CONTINUALLY
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INCREASING REQUIREMENTS RESULTING FROM THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEEDS OF OUR COUNTRY, WE STRONGLY HOPE THAT JAPAN WILL FURTHER INCREASE ITS CONTRIBUTION AND RAISE IT TO 4 MILLION US DOLLARS. WE WOULD BE EXTREMELY GRATEFUL IF 70 PERCENT OF THE KIP COUNTERPART FUNDS FROM THIS CONTRIBUTION COULD BE FROZEN.

IN HOPE TO OBTAIN YOUR SUPPORT, I HAVE THE HONOR TO ASK YOU, EXCELLENCY, TO KINDLY TRANSMIT TO YOUR GOVERNMENT THE PROPOSALS OF THE ROYAL LAO GOVERNMENT.

ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, THE ASSURANCE OF MY HIGH CONSIDERATION. UNQUOTE.

2. OUR COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOLLOW SEPTTEL.
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